

**AMENDMENTS TO THE CLAIMS**

**This listing of claims will replace all prior versions and listings of claims in the application:**

**LISTING OF CLAIMS:**

1. (currently amended): A computer peripheral sales promoting system comprising:  
a service status detecting means for detecting a service status of a computer peripheral;  
~~and a~~ customer product information storing means for storing ~~specifications~~ specification information of said computer peripheral and user information which specifies a user of said computer peripheral and also for consecutively updating and storing a service status detected by said service status detecting means are provided in a computer which serves as an upper-level system for said computer peripheral; and  
a sales promoting terminal for making access to said customer product information storing means to thereby read out said ~~specifications~~ specification information, said user information, and service status ~~is arranged in a network to which said computer peripheral is connected.~~
2. (currently amended): A computer peripheral sales promoting system comprising:  
a service status detecting means for detecting a service status of a computer peripheral;

~~and a~~ customer product information storing means for storing ~~specifications~~ specification information of said computer peripheral and user information of a user of said computer peripheral and also for consecutively updating and storing a service status detected by said service status detecting means is provided to said computer peripheral; and

a sales promoting terminal for making access to said customer product information storing means to thereby read out said ~~specifications~~ specification information, said user information, and said service status ~~is arranged in a network to which said computer peripheral is connected.~~

3. (currently amended): The computer peripheral sales promoting system according to Claim 1, wherein said computer peripheral is arranged in a network ~~network is constituted by the internet.~~

4. (currently amended): The computer peripheral sales promoting system according to Claim 2, wherein said computer peripheral is arranged in a network ~~network is constituted by the internet.~~

5. (currently amended): The computer peripheral sales promoting system according to Claim 1, wherein said computer peripheral ~~is constituted by~~ comprises a data storing apparatus.

6. (currently amended): The computer peripheral sales promoting system according to Claim 2, wherein said computer peripheral ~~is constituted by~~comprises a data storing apparatus.

7. (currently amended): The computer peripheral sales promoting system according to Claim 3, wherein said computer peripheral ~~is constituted by~~comprises a data storing apparatus.

8. (currently amended): The computer peripheral sales promoting system according to Claim 4, wherein said computer peripheral ~~is constituted by~~comprises a data storing apparatus.

9. (currently amended): The computer peripheral sales promoting system according to Claim 5, wherein:  
said ~~specifications~~specification information includes at least a disk capacity of said data storing apparatus; and said service status detecting means detects a spent disk capacity and a load status of said data storing apparatus as a service status.

10. (currently amended): The computer peripheral sales promoting system according to

Claim 6, wherein:

said ~~specifications~~ specification information includes at least a disk capacity of said data storing apparatus; and said service status detecting means detects a spent disk capacity and a load status of said data storing apparatus as a service status.

11. (currently amended): The computer peripheral sales promoting system according to

Claim 7, wherein:

said ~~specifications~~ specification information includes at least a disk capacity of said data storing apparatus; and said service status detecting means detects a spent disk capacity and a load status of said data storing apparatus as a service status.

12. (currently amended): The computer peripheral sales promoting system according to

Claim 8, wherein:

said ~~specifications~~ specification information includes at least a disk capacity of said data storing apparatus; and said service status detecting means detects a spent disk capacity and a load status of said data storing apparatus as a service status.

13. (canceled).

14. (new): A computer peripheral sales promoting system comprising:

a service status detecting means for detecting a service status of a computer peripheral;

a customer product information storing means for storing specification information of said computer peripheral and user information which specifies a user of said computer peripheral and also for consecutively updating and storing a service status detected by said service status detecting means; and

a sales promoting terminal for making access to said customer product information storing means to thereby read out said specification information, said user information, and service status.